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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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UNIVERSITY EDUCATION

2021-	Postdoctoral research at the Department of Cultural Technology and Communication of the University of the Aegean. <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Integration of natural human machine interaction in the management and promotion of cultural heritage with simultaneous impact on the improvement of the tourist product.
2001 - 2007	PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering National Technical University of Athens (NTUA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ PhD Thesis Title: "Algorithms for the application of N-grams in emotional speech recognition and text correction", Department of Signals, Control and Robotics, supervised by Prof. G. Karagiannis (Natural Language Processing)
1999 - 2000	MSc in Engineering and Physical Science in Medicine Department of Biological and Medical systems Imperial, Technology and Medicine College of Science <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Thesis Topic: "A new paradigm for finding shapes using the scale-space theory", Image Processing, supervision Prof. Anil Bharath (Image Editing)
1994 - 1999	Diploma in Electrical and Computer Engineering Department of Space and Telecommunications, School of Engineering Democritus University of Thrace

- ❖ Thesis Topic: "Weak magnetic fields and their effects on the rehabilitation of human brain dysfunctions"

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

03/15-present	Ministry of Development/North Aegean Region Special Management Agency of the North Aegean Region Executive of Unit A' Electrical and Computer Engineer
12/15- today	Higher School of Pedagogical and Technological Education (ASPETE) North Aegean Branch <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ <i>"Educational Research" course</i>❖ <i>Course "Educational Evaluation"</i>❖ <i>Course "Pedagogical Computer Applications "</i>
01/11-03/15	Ministry of Development General Secretariat for Industry, Directorate for Technical Industrial Policy Electrical and Computer Engineer
11/01-01/11	Institute of Language and Speech Processing / R.C. "Athena" Department of Voice Technology <i>Research Assistant / Electrical and Computer Engineer</i>
01/01-07/01	Unisystems S.A. Electrical and Computer Engineer

SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS

- Signal processing
 - ❖ Emotional Speech Voice Recognition
 - Training of Hidden Markov Models (HMMs').
 - Voice Databases with emotion.
 - Emotional state tracker.
 - Application of statistical processing to texts.
 - Dynamic time warping techniques.
 - ❖ Voice denoising
 - ❖ Export voice parameters
- Natural language processing
 - ❖ Language Model Applications
 - Corpora and statistical processing
 - Semantic representation
 - ❖ Applications in Language Technology

- ☐ Extraction of linguistic and para-linguistic information
- ☐ Human-machine communication with natural language

PUBLISHED WORK

- A. Publications in peer-reviewed journals
- B. Articles in books
- C. Refereed conference papers
- D. Dissertations

(A) PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- A1. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I., Cowie, R., Douglas-Cowie, E., & Cox, C. "ASR for emotional speech: clarifying the issues and enhancing performance." *Neural Networks Elsevier Publications*, Volume 18, Issue 4, (2005), pp. 437- 444.
- A2. T., Athanaselis, S., Bakamidis, I., Dologlou, K., Mamouras. "N-grams: A Tool for Repairing Word Order Errors in Ill-formed Texts." *International Journal of Signal Processing*, vol. 3, no. 2, (2006), pp. 123-128.
- A3. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, S-E., Fotinea, I. "Enhancing Speech Recognition Performance in the Presence of MRI Scanner Noise." *International Journal of Signal and Imaging Systems Engineering*, vol. 3, no. 3, (2010), pp. 179-187.
- A4. Athanaselis, T., Mamouras, K., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I. "A Corpus-Based Technique for Repairing Ill-Formed Sentences with Word Order Errors Using Co-Occurrences of N-Grams." *International Journal on Artificial Intelligence Tools*, vol. 20, no. 3, World Scientific Publishing Company, (2011), pp. 401-424.
- A5. Fotinea, E.-S., Dologlou, I., Bakamidis, T., Athanaselis, S. "Decimative Spectral Estimation With Unconstrained Model Order." *Computational and Mathematical Methods in Medicine*, vol. 2012, Hindawi Publishing Corporation, (2012), Article ID 917695, doi:10.1155/2012/917695.
- A6. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I., Argyriou, E.N., Symvonis, A. "Making Assistive Reading Tools User-Friendly: A New Platform for Greek Dyslexic Students Empowered by Automatic Speech Recognition." *Multimedia Tools and Applications*, Online First, 12 May (2012), DOI: 10.1007/s11042-012-1073-5.

(B) BOOK ARTICLES

- B1. S-E. Fotinea, S. Bakamidis, T. Athanaselis, I. Dologlou, G. Carayannis, R. Cowie, E. Douglas-Cowie, N. Fragopanagos, J.G. Taylor. "Emotion in Speech: Towards an Integration of Linguistic, Paralinguistic and Psychological Analysis." *Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS)*, edited by O. Kaynak et al., Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, (2003), (ISSN: 0302-9743), Vol. 2714 / 2003, pp. 1125-1132.
- B2. T. Athanaselis, S-E. Fotinea, S. Bakamidis, I., Dologlou, G. Giannopoulos. "Signal Enhancement for Continuous Speech Recognition." *Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS)*, edited by O. Kaynak et al., Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, (2003), (ISSN: 0302-9743), Vol. 2714 / 2003, pp. 1117-1124.
- B3. T. Athanaselis, S. Bakamidis, and I., Dologlou. "A Fast Algorithm for Words Reordering Based on Language Model." *Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS)*, edited by S. Kollias et al., Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, (2006), (ISSN: 0302-9743), Volume 4132/2006, pp. 943-951.
- B4. T., Athanaselis, K., Mamouras, S., Bakamidis, I., Dologlou. "Sentence-level Evaluation Using Co-occurrences of N-grams." *Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS)*, edited by V. Kurkova, R. Neruda, and J. Koutnik : ICANN 2008, Part I, (LNCS) 5163, Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, (2008), pp. 750–758.
- B5. T., Athanaselis, S., Bakamidis, I., Dologlou. "Performance Evaluation of a Novel Technique for Word Order Errors Correction Applied to Non-Native English Speakers' Corpus." edited by A. Gelbukh, *CICLing 2011, Part II*, (LNCS) 6609, Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, (2011), pp. 402–410.

(C) ARTICLES IN CONFERENCES WITH REVIEWERS

- C1. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Fotinea, S-E., Dologlou, I., Fragapanagos, N., Taylor, J.G., Cowie, R., Douglas-Cowie, E. "Impact of Speech Enhancement on ASR Confidence Score." *Proceedings of EUNITE 2003*, (2003), pp. 548-552, Oulu, Finland.
- C2. Fragopanagos, N., Taylor, J.G., Cowie, R., Douglas-Cowie, E., Athanaselis, T., Fotinea, S-E., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I. "Detecting Moving Emotion." *Proceedings of EUNITE 2003*, (2003), pp. 542-547, Oulu, Finland.
- C3. Giannopoulos, G., Fotinea, S-E., Chalamandaris, A., Athanaselis, T., Carayannis, G. "Analysis and Modelling of the Carrier Declination for the Greek Language." *Proceedings of the 15th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences - ICPHS03*, 3-9 August (2003), Barcelona, pp. 555-558.

- C4. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Fotinea, S-E., Dologlou, I. "Impact of Speech Enhancement on ASR Time Stamping." *Proceedings of EUNITE 2004*, (2004), Aachen, Germany, pp. 452-457.
- C5. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I. "Improving Speech Recognition Performance in Noisy Environments." *Proceedings of the 7th Hellenic-European Conference on Computer Mathematics and its Applications (HERCMA'2005)*, (2005), Athens, Greece.
- C6. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I. "Words Reordering Based on Statistical Language Model." *Proceedings of the Transactions on Engineering, Computing and Technology, ICCS'06*, Volume 12, March 29-31 (2006), Vienna, Austria, pp. 270-273.
- C7. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., & Dologlou. "A Comparative Study of ASR Performance in Different Emotional States." *Proceedings of the XXVIII-th International Congress of Audiology*, Innsbruck, Austria, (2006), pp. 98-102.
- C8. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., & Dologlou. "An Automatic Method for Revising Ill-formed Sentences Based on N-grams." *Proceedings of the 3rd International Conference on Speech Prosody*, Dresden, Germany, (2006), pp. 370-373.
- C9. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., and Dologlou. "Automatic Recognition of Emotionally Colored Speech." *Proceedings of the Transactions on Engineering, Computing and Technology, ICCS'06*, vol. 12, March 29-31, (2006), Vienna, Austria., pp. 274-277.
- C10. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., and Dologlou. "A New Approach for Words Reordering Based On Statistical Language Model." *Proceedings of the 11-th International Conference Speech and Computer*, (2006), SPECOM, pp. 463-466.
- C11. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., and Dologlou. "Recognizing Verbal Content of Emotionally Colored Speech." *Proceedings of the 14th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO)*, (2006).
- C12. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., and Dologlou. "Impact of the Cocktail Party Effect on the Confidence Accuracy of Emotional Speech Recognizer." *Proceedings of the 18th BeNeLux Conference on Artificial Intelligence (BNAIC)*, (2006), Namur, Belgium.
- C13. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., and Dologlou. "A Statistical Method for Correcting Word Order Errors in Greek Texts." *Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference of LASTED on Computational Intelligence (CI)*, (2006), San Francisco, pp. 502-506.
- C14. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I. "Evaluating ASR Confidence Score Performance in Different Noisy Conditions." *Proceedings of the 12-th International Conference Speech and Computer (SPECOM)*, (2007), pp. 207-211.

- C15. Athanaselis, T., Mamouras, K., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I. "User Evaluation of a Novel Technique for Word-Order Error Correction." *Proceedings of the 3rd Language & Technology Conference: Human Language Technologies as a Challenge for Computer Science and Linguistics*, October 5-7, (2007), Poznań, Poland..
- C16. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I. "A Novel Technique for Words Reordering Based on N-Grams." *Proceedings of the International Symposium on Signal Processing and its Applications*, in conjunction with the International Conference on Information Sciences, Signal Processing and its Applications, (2007), Sharjah, United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.), Article number 4555284.
- C17. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Giannopoulos, G., Dologlou, I., Fotinea, E. "Robust Speech Recognition in the Presence of Noise Using Medical Data." *Proceedings of the IEEE International Workshop on Imaging Systems and Techniques (IST)*, ISBN: 978-1-4244-2497-9, (2008), pp. 349-353.
- C18. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I. "Reducing the Cocktail Party Effect Prior to Automatic Speech Recognition." *Proceedings of the 13th International Conference Speech and Computer (SPECOM)*, (2009), pp. 360-363.
- C19. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I., Fotinea, E. "Impact of MRI Scanner Noise on Speech Recognition Confidence Score." *Proceedings of the 4th Language & Technology Conference: Human Language Technologies as a Challenge for Computer Science and Linguistics*, November 6-8 (2009), Poznań, Poland.
- C20. Guimaraes, R., Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I., Fotinea, E. "A Vocal User Interface Plug-in for jMRUI." *Proceedings of the IEEE International Workshop on Imaging Systems and Techniques (IST 2010)*, (2010), pp. 384-388.
- C21. Athanaselis, T., Bakamidis, S., Dologlou, I., Argyriou, E., Symvonis. "Incorporating Speech Recognition Engine into an Intelligent Assistive System for Dyslexic Students Reading." *Proceedings of the 12th Annual Conference of the International Speech Communication Association (Interspeech 2011)*, (2011), Italy, pp. 2993-2996.

DISSERTATIONS

- D1. **T. Athanaselis** "Algorithms for the application of N-grams in emotional speech recognition and text correction", PhD thesis, Department of Signals, Control and Robotics, National Technical University of Athens, (2007).
- D2. **T. Athanaselis** "A new paradigm for finding shapes using the scale-space theory" MSc dissertation Imperial College, (2000).

- D3. **T. Athanaselis**, "Weak magnetic fields and their effects on the rehabilitation of cerebral human dysfunctions", Diploma Thesis, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Thrace, (1999).

PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH-DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

2002-2004	"IST-ERMIS" -(Emotionally Rich Man-machine Intelligent System) Funded 5th FWP (Fifth Framework Programme) <i>Participation in voice recognition issues from emotional data.</i>
2007-2009	"IST-AGENT_DYSL" -(Accommodative intelliGENT educational environments for DYSLexic learners) Funded FP6-IST Participation in issues related to the adaptation of the voice recognition system to people with learning difficulties.
2004-2008	"IST-HEARCOM" -(Hearing in the communication society) Funded FP6-IST <i>participation in issues related to the integration of the voice recognition system in server-user environments for people with disabilities.</i>
2007-2009	"IST-SOPRANO" -(Service Oriented PRogrammable smArt enviroNments for Older Europeans) Funded FP6-IST <i>Participation in issues related to the integration of voice recognition system in smart homes.</i>
2006-2007	"EDL-Spontaneous" -(Spontaneous speech voice recognition) Program "Image, Sound and Language Processing" General Secretariat for Research and Technology, Ministry of Research <i>participation in issues related to the enrichment of the language model.</i>
2006-2008	"EDL-SUB 4ALL" -(Automatic Subtitling Technologies) Program "Image, Sound and Language Processing" General Secretariat for Research and Technology, Ministry of Research <i>participation in issues related to the indexing of radio and television broadcasts.</i>
2011-2013	"Eloquent" -(Online Service for the Improvement of Reading Skills for Dyslexic People), 2007-2013, O.P. DIGITAL CONVERGENCE, ICT and Improvement of Quality of Life, Objective 1 - Convergence & Objective 2 - Regional Competitiveness & Employment, European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) <i>participation in issues related to the adaptation of the voice recognition system to an online reading assistance service for minors with learning difficulties.</i>
2016-2019	"MEDNICE" MED Program Networks for an Innovative Cooperation in Energy Efficiency of the European Program Interreg MED. North Aegean Region Project coordinator

PARTICIPATION IN TRAINING SEMINARS

30/05/2001	Microsoft Approved course "Mastering Microsoft Visual Basic 6 Development" ITEC Consultancy Microsoft Certified Technical Education Center
25/06/2001	Microsoft Approved course "Accelerated training for MS-SQL Server 7.0" ITEC Consultancy Microsoft Certified Technical Education Center

TEACHING EXPERIENCE/LECTURES

- National Technical University of Athens, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, assistant in teaching the course "Signals and Systems".
- " EFTECHNOS" seminars on Assistive Information and Telecommunications Technologies for People with Disabilities. Topic of speech: Introduction to the field of voice recognition, emotional speech.
- Invited Speaker PRO-VE'09 10th IFIP Working Conference on VIRTUAL ENTERPRISES, Thessaloniki, GREECE, 7-9 October 2009: ASR for emotional speech: Clarifying the issues and enhancing performance

USE OF SOFTWARE

- Programming
 - ❖ Microsoft Visual Studio C/C++, Visual Basic 6.0
 - ❖ MATLAB R2007b
- Audio Editing
 - ❖ Praat 5.1.15, Audacity 1.2.6, Cool Edit 2000, WavePad Sound Editor, Sound Forge 9.
- Image Editing
 - ❖ Adobe Photoshop CS3, Adobe Illustrator CS3.

MEMBER OF COLLECTIVE BODIES/SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATIONS

- Technical Chamber of Greece (TEE)
 - ❖ Standing Committee on Informatics and Telecommunications of the Technical Chamber of Greece
- Panhellenic Association of Mechanical and Electrical Engineers
- North Aegean Regional Research and Innovation Council

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

- English
 - ❖ First Certificate in English, MSc in Engineering and Physical Science in Medicine
- French
 - ❖ Certificat de Langue Francais, D.E.L.F A3,A4